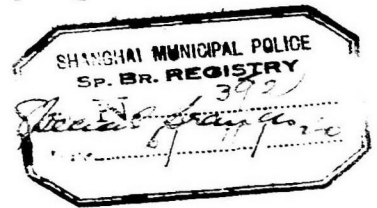


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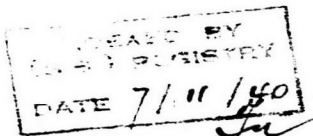
On 10-10-40 C.B.H.Q. C.I. detectives whilst rendering assistance to the Japanese Gendarmerie carried out a raid at No. 4 Lane 429 Admiral Doyle F.C. wherein it was reported members of an anti-Japanese Terrorist Organization known as "Blue Shirts" were residing.

No arrests were made but a number of arms and a quantity of ammunition were seized.

Amongst these firearms one, a Smith & Wesson .38 revolver No. 51227 was upon examination found to have been used in the attempt on the life of Dr. Jordan see subject of this file.

Arrests which were made during the round up could not be connected with this offense.

Please see C.I. Misc. 127/40.



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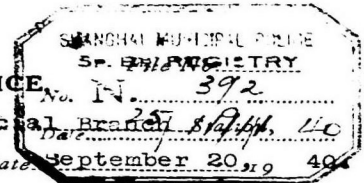
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

REPORT

S. 1, Special Branch
Date September 20, 1940



Subject List of documents, etc., the property of Lawyer Sz Kieu Daung
(史久榮) - Central F.I.R. 2938/40 (attempted assassination).
Made by and Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

Hereto attached is a itemized list of documents, etc., which were found in the office of Lawyer Sz Kieu Daung, alias Jordon Parco Sze, Room 305, 24 Central Road and forwarded to S. 1 for examination, in connection with his attempted assassination, vide Central F.I.R. 2938/40.

Two copies of the itemized list together with the documents in question were handed to D.S. Henchman, Central, at 3 p.m., September 20, 1940.

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List of documents belonging to Lawyer
Sz Kieu Daung (吳久榮).

1. An incomplete letter in English dated August 1st, 1940, addressed to Mr. G.E. Marden, of the Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Ltd., 2-3 Quai de France, Shanghai, informing him that a Chinese foreman named Wong Yu Dong of the company is collecting membership fees from the labourers for the existence of the so called "Tug and Lighter Labourers' Union."
2. Translation of a letter in English dated May 24, 1940, addressed by the Chinese Seamen's Union to Messrs Jardine, Matheson Company, Ltd., requesting the latter to increase wages of its employees.
3. A letter of appointment dated June 17, addressed by the Chinese Seamen's Union to Sz Kieu Daung appointing him as a Secretary of the Union.
4. Petitions by the Chinese Seamen's Union to the P. & O. Shipping Company regarding the labour disputes between the Shanghai Tug and Lighters Labourers' Union and the shipping company over increase in wages.
5. A copy of the official gazette of the Ministry of Social Affairs of the New Central Government, "Issue No.2" dated July 1, 1940.
6. A letter dated August 28, addressed to Lawyer Sz Kieu Daung by Woo Zai Yoong (吳在榮), requesting Sz to negotiate with the S.M. Police Headquarters regarding a pistol licence of Woo.
7. An application dated July 6, addressed by Huang Dah Chong (黃達昌) to the manager of the Oo Foh Company (板橋行) for a position in the company.
8. Regulations, typewritten in English, governing Lawyers' Fee decided by the Shanghai Bar Association in accordance with the Instruction no. 7160 of the Kiangsu High Court.
9. A certificate dated April 30, 1936, issued by the Consul-General of the German Consulate in Shanghai to a German citizen in Shanghai named Albert Jovishoff, certifying his qualifications as a judge.
10. A certificate dated January 12th of the 26th year of the Chinese Republic was issued by Wong Yoong Ping (王鳳平), Minister of Justice of the National Government (at present in Chungking) to a German named A. Jovishoff, certifying him as a Lawyer.
11. Letters, Court documents, and miscellaneous papers regarding his legal practice.
12. 22 letters in English relating to his legal practice.
13. 6 letters in German and French.
14. Miscellaneous papers in English.
15. Two photos.
16. 22 visiting cards including the following :-

Zung Voong Chow (鄭鳳洲),
No. 348 Wei Moo Road (外灘路),
Nantao (Tel. No. 7231), Chinese
Seamen's General Labour Union of
the Shanghai Navigation Bureau of
the Ministry of Communications.

Kuo Chi Dien (郭繼田),
member of the Northern District
Sub-Station of the Shanghai City
Government Police Bureau.

Soong Siao Yuin (宋筱雲),
Standing Committee member of the
Shanghai Branch of the Seamen's
Special Tangpu of the Chung Kuo
Kuomintang.
On the reverse side of the card
are the following characters:
(No. 333 East Sz Vung Li,
Tatung Road. (Tel. 62779)).

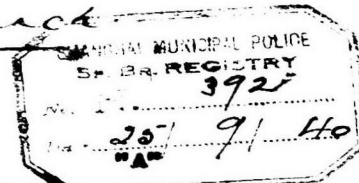
H.E. Greenfield,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

Zee Tuk Zung (徐德成),
Detective Sergeant of the
Gordon Road Station, S.M.P.
(Tel. No. 30015).

F.A. Ewins,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

17. A letter in English together with a notice, dated September 17, 1940, addressed by Jardine, Matheson and Company to Lawyer Jordon D. Sze (Sze Kieu Daung) in connection with smuggling by members of the crew of steamers of the Indo-China S.N. Co., Ltd.
18. A Driving Licence (No. 217-5) issued by the S.M.C. on 6/2/34, to Lawyer Sze Kieu Daung, No. 27, Lane 516, Gordon Road.
19. One badge bearing the following characters :
"Chinese Seamen's Union".

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noon to 7.30p.m.
19/9/40.

24 Central Road.
Lester Hospital.

24 Central Road, Room 305.

Between 11.45a.m. and 12 Noon. 19-9-40.

12 Noon. 19-9-40.

Jordan Darco Sze, Barrister-at-law, Lane 516 Gordon Road House 27.

Two not arrested:-

1. Chinese male, age about 25, northern dialect, 5'7", thin build, thin face, dark complexion, long hair brushed back, dark blue foreign style jacket with a lighter shade of pants, black shoes. Armed.
2. Chinese male, age about 35, 5'2", strong build, round face, bald, scar stretching from the top of his forehead to his left temple, wearing dark grey long gown, black Chinese shoes.

Nil.

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Two male Chinese, one of whom was armed, entered office by doorway from passage. Unarmed man remained at door whilst armed man entered room and asked for See On enquiring as to what the man wanted the latter produced a pistol (or a revolver) and fired three shots, one of which took effect. Both men then departed, leaving the building, it is believed, by the stair-way and main entrance.

inquiries by undersigned and C.D.S.336.

Following the receipt of a telephone message which stated that a Shanghai Fire Brigade Ambulance had been called to No.24 Central Road, the undersigned accompanied by C.D.S.336 went to this address outside of which a large crowd had collected.

Detectives were directed to Room 305 on the 3rd floor of 24 Central Road where several Chinese and foreigners were gathered. The undersigned was informed that a few moments before noon a Chinese male had entered the room and drawing a pistol had fired three shots one of which had wounded Mr. Jordan Darco Sze alias Sze Jau Dong(史久棠); a Chinese lawyer. An ambulance had already been called and the wounded man had been conveyed to hospital where a Doctor's chit was issued which read as follows:-

"Gun-shot wound face and fracture of base of skull - very serious".

The room in which the shooting took place is used as an office by the following concerns and persons:-

1. Jordan Sze, Barrister-at-law, (injured man)
2. Behn Shing, Korean, Dry-goods broker.
3. Tung Yieh Ho, Transportation Service.
4. W. Marheles, Far East Magazine.

It having been ascertained that the would-be assassin had already absconded a thorough examination of the room was conducted. Entrance to the room is obtained by a door which opens on to the corridor; once inside the door one passes along a short passage-way beside a bath-room and then enters the main office. Several

decks occupy the floor and are separated from the passage by a wooden counter. The wounded man's desk is in the Centre of the room and is placed so that when he sits down his profile and back are visible to any one entering. On the floor surrounding Sze's desk was a large pool of blood. An exhaustive search failed to reveal any cartridge cases but a soft-nosed much flattened bullet, probably of .38 revolver calibre, was discovered on the floor in the corner opposite to the door way. Papers and documents found in Sze's desk were brought to the Station for examination.

On the arrival of the Police the following persons who had witnessed the shooting were present:

1. Paul Newirth, Czech, sailor.
2. Motih Zweiz, Refugee, salesman.
3. Jehann Goldstein, Refugee, salesman.
4. Wong "ei(王偉) Clerk, Kung Sung Weekly Review.
5. Dong Tsing Foo(董青富) Apprentice, employed in Room 306.
6. Leh Bih Fung(陸錫勳) Clerk, Tung Yieh Co.
7. Liu Tsing Yuen(劉清源) Fruit-merchant, F.C.

The above persons were taken to the Station where statements from all were obtained. It was ascertained that besides the above-named, one Behn Shing, a Korean sharing the same office and an old friend of Sze had witnessed the

shooting and had then accompanied the wounded man to the Lester Hospital. He was subsequently requested to attend the Station where he made a full statement. A statement was also made by C.P.C. 868 who was on duty at the corner of Szechuen Road and Kiukiang Road and heard the shooting. S.P.W. 164 on duty at the entrance to No. 24 states that he heard the shooting upstairs but maintains that he saw no suspicious characters leaving the building.

The undersigned visited the Lester Hospital and endeavoured to question Sze; the latter, however, due to excessive weakness was unable to say more than that he had not recognised the man responsible for the shooting, that he had no enemies and no political affiliations --- he spoke fluent English.

Perusal of the various statements made by witnesses makes it possible to recount the story of the actual shooting as follows:

It appears that Sze came to his office at Central Road at about 9a.m. During the course of the morning he interviewed several persons amongst whom were two Japanese who are believed to have been present at the time of the shooting but as yet, have not been located. Shortly before noon (the time varies in the statements of the several witnesses) two male Chinese (described on Sheet No. 1) entered through the doorway; the one who was wearing

Chinese clothing remained by the door while the other who was dressed in foreign clothing, walked up to the counter and asked for Sze. Sze who was sitting at his desk, turned and asked the man what he wanted whereupon the latter put his hand into the right side-pocket of his jacket, drew out a small black pistol (or revolver) and fired three shots, one of which struck Sze in the face. The two men then absconded leaving the building, it is believed by way of the stairs and the main entrance. (There is a back entrance to the building but the door leading to it is locked)

Special mention should be given to the willing and useful assistance rendered by Special Constable Isaacs who was passing near-by at the time of the shooting and was on the scene before the arrival of the regular Police.

No motive for the crime has as yet been discovered; Sze is known to have had connections with a certain Seamen's Union and to number several Japanese amongst his acquaintances.

Investigation with a view to the eventual apprehension of the criminals is proceeding.

The D.C. Crime, the D.O. and the D.D.O. were informed; copies of reports and statements will be forwarded to the Special Branch, D.C. Divisions and Supt. i/c C.I.

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D.D.O. "A"

Paul Newirth

Czechoslovakia

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Central Stn.

19/8/40.

My name is Paul Newirth, 23, native of Czech-Slovakia, a sailor, residing 783, Point Road, House 46.

At about 9a.m., 19/8/40 I was waiting in Room No.305 of House No.24 Central Road, the old British Military Hospital, to see a Mr. ~~Shark~~, a Korean lawyer, who has his office at that address, and with whom ^I had some business, he arrived at about 10a.m., but he did not attend to me right away. He was busy with some Japanese clients, whom I have never seen before, he was also busy with Mr. Sze, a Chinese Lawyer who shares the office with Mr ~~shark~~.

At about 12.05p.m., 19/8/40, as I was still waiting for an interview I saw a male Chinese, age about 28, height about 5ft. 9 inches, thin build, thin dark face, dressed in a foreign style dark blue suit, with narrow white striped, black shoes, I have never seen the man before, but I would recognise him again if I saw him, this man came into the office through the open door, he said nothing, but ^{bowed} ~~bowed~~ to Mr Sze, Mr Sze asked him what he wanted, in Chinese, but the man made no reply, while this was going on another male Chinese, age about 35, height about 5'2", strongly built, round face, with a scar stretching from his forehead to his temple on the left side of his face, he was dressed in a dark grey long gown, black Chinese shoes, he was bald, I have never seen him before but I would recognise him again, this man remained standing in the doorway, he seemed to be watching for something. Suddenly the man in the room put his hand into the right pocket of his trouser pocket and took out a small black automatic pistol, pointed the pistol at Mr Sze,

who was sitting at his desk, and as Mr Sze turned round a little in his chair, this man, holding the pistol, in his right hand, the barrel between his first and second fingers pulled the trigger with his third finger and fired three shots at Mr Sze, the first shot struck the pipe which Mr Sze was smoking, the second shot struck the right side of his face, the third shot went wild, the man who done the shooting said something in Chinese and immediately turned round and ran out and was joined by the man who had remained standing in the doorway.

At the time of the shooting besides myself and Mr Sze, there were in the office, two Foreigners, three Chinese and two Japanese and Mr Shark, after the shooting, one Japanese and one Chinese were missing, I did not notice them.

Rm I do not know anything more.

Signed.

Notih Zweig,
Austrian, 2 Quinsan-Garden Room 8.

Central Stn. 19-9-40.

On Sept. 19th, at about 11.15a.m. I entered the office of the Welfare Co. Room 315 24 Central Road together with my partner Mr. Fohann Goldstein to offer handbags. Whilst displaying our goods, Mr. Jordan Sze showed interest and ordered two handbags for his wife and his sister. Thereupon he went back to his writing-desk and sat down. We continued talking to the manager of above firm. At about 11.45a.m. I noticed a male Chinese, dressed in foreign-style clothes, entering the office and walking up to the counter. He stood about 2 feet away from me on my left. I heard him muttering a few words which I did not understand and noticed him looking about the room. When he saw Mr. Sze, he removed his right hand from his pocket and fired three shots at Mr. Sze. This done the assailant immediately turned around and left the office. I ran out into the corridor, shouting "Police", but noticed nobody in the vicinity. Thereupon I returned into the office shouting "Police" from one of the windows down on the road.

Sgd: Notih Zweig.

Johann Goldstein,

Austrian, 810/77 East Seward Road.

Central Stn. 19-9-40.

I corroborated the statement made by my partner Mr. Motih Zweig, in that I have been standing next to him, when the shooting occurred in the office of the Welfare Co. Room 305 24 Central Road at about 11.45a.m. on Sept. 19th, 1940.

Johann Goldstein.

Boku Shing

D.S. Suga

Korea

Central Stn.

19/9/40.

D.S. Suga.

My name is Boku Shing (朴震), dry-goods broker with offices at room 305, No. 24 Central Road, residing at No. 64 Route Pichon, F.C.

This room No. 305 has been tenanted jointly by a German hand-bag dealer, a Chinese friend of mine named Sze Ju Tong (史久童) who is a lawyer, and myself for \$128.00 per mensem. We have a telephone installed jointly too.

At about 11.45a.m. 19/9/40 I was negotiating with the above German hand-bag over handbag-business when a male Chinese came in and I hear him ask who the lawyer Sze was. I also hear Sze replied it was he, when 3 shots were fired. When I raised my eyes I witnessed a male Chinese age about 23/4, dressed in foreign style clothing going out of the room, while Sze was seated on a chair nearby with his face bleeding profusely.

I realized Sze fell victim to the shooting, so I dashed out of the office to arrest of assailant, but I could not find him.

In the meantime an ambulance of the S.F.B. arrived and took Sze to the Lester Chinese Hospital.

I had not a good look at of the pistol.

I have been acquainted with Sze for the past 10 years.

We became acquainted when I was dealing in building materials and he was in the employ of British owned Duncan & Company.

Towards the middle of July 1940 he opened the law office at the present address and at the same time I removed there from the French Consession and we have occupied this room to date.

As to Sze I know little excepting a lawyer by occupation, but I understand that he has recently been connected with a certain

Seamen's Association with offices at No. 7^E Jessfield Road.

R^m The above is true statement.

Signed.

Wong Wei,

Shanghai

Central Stn.

19-9-40

Wong Wei, 31, Shanghai, M/residing at No. 9 Tsung Hwei Lee, Elgin Road. I am employed as a clerk in the Kung Sang Weekly Review. I made the acquaintance of Sze Ju Tong at No. 3 Jessfield Road where Mr. Tan Kwei Ying entertained his friends about two months ago. At 7.30p.m. yesterday (18-9-40) I met Sze at the Shing Yeh Lou Restaurant, North Szechuen Road where Mr. Lee Sze Zee gave an invitation. Mr. Lee insisted that I would accompany him to call Mr. Sze's office on the 2nd floor, 24 Central Road at about noon today from where we would proceed to his home at No. 43 Oong Ka Loong, Wantaoo, to partake of tiffin. At about 11.30a.m. (Summer hour) I went to No. 24 Central Road where I met Sze and one of his friend believed to be a Japanese whom I met on yesterday's invitation. We three then went upstairs and awaited for another friend named Sung Ho Liang intending to proceed to Wantaoo altogether. About 20 minutes later, Mr. Sze was talking about the delay of Mr. Sung, there appeared a youth, age about 23/24, thin face, 5'3/4" high, wearing light gray foreign clothes, and inquired who was Mr. Sze Ju Tong. Sze Ju Tong replied "what is the matter, I am Sze Ju Tong". However, the young man immediately produced a pistol and fired 3 shots in succession aiming at the head of Sze while I concealed myself on the sofa. When I stood up, the assailant had already absconded. As Sze's nose was profusely bleeding, I then sent a telephone message for an ambulance and asked others to put an handkerchief on Sze's nose. On arrival of the police, I asked them to send another telephone. At the same time the ambulance arrived the scene I instructed an employee to

escort Sze to the hospital and another employee to accompany Police to the station. After that, I escorted Sze to go downstairs by lift. At the main entrance a man who encountered Sze asked me whether he could accompany Sze to the hospital, to which I said it was quite possible. When the ambulance left the scene I was summoned to give testimony at the station as above.

The above is my true statement.

Signed.

Lieu Tsing Yuen

Tientsin

Central Stn.

19/9/40.

Lieu Tsing Yuen, age 31, native of Tientsin, M/fruit merchant, residing 38 Sih Hwa Faung off Rue Stanislas Chevalier, F.C.

At about 9a.m. on 19/9/40, I proceeded to room 305, 3rd floor, No.24 Central Road, (the office of lawyer Sze Jau Dong) with the intention of making arrangements about a pass for booting with Zaung Mao Liang of the Tung Yih Transportation Company. whilst waiting in the office, I saw the lawyer Sze Jau Dong, the accountant of the Tung Yih Transportation Company, Mr Loh, Mr Wong and Mr Ling Tsung, both are friends of lawyer Sze Jau Dong. At that time there was also one coolie named Deng, and three Jews in the office. I was still waiting for Zaung when at 11.45a.m. an unknown person dressed in foreign style clothing came into the office and asked which one was the lawyer Sze. At that time, the lawyer Sze, who was sitting down, asked this person what was the matter. The man in question produced a pistol and fired 3 shots at him (lawyer Sze). After shooting, the man immediately ran out of the office.

Description of the man:

Age about 26-7, height about 5'8", slim build, fair complexion, long hair brushed back, wearing black foreign jacket and grey pants, speaking with a Northern accent.

Signed. Lieu Tsing Yuen.

Loh Sih Fung

Scongkiang

Central Stn.

19/9/40.

Loh Sih Fung, 28, Scongkiang, W/clerk of the Tung Yih Company, residing at No.190, Lane 608, Yu Yuen Road.

Our company was removed into Room No.305 on the 25/8/40. At 10a.m. on the 19/9/40, I attended my office to carry out my duty. At about 11.45a.m. even date when I was sitting at my desk, I saw an assailant coming in and firing three shots which resulted in wounding Lawyer Sze. Noticing that Lawyer Sze was lying in a pool of blood, I together with one named Tong Chung Ching helped Lawyer Sze to sit in a chair. Lawyer Sze was subsequently conveyed to hospital.

The description of the assailant: age about 26/7, medium build, wearing blue foreign style suit, appearance and dialect unavailable.

Signed.

Dong Tsing Foo.

Shanghai

Central Stn.

19-9-40

Dong Tsing Foo, 16, Shanghai, S/residing 521/1252 Rue
Vallon, F.C.

I have been employed as an apprentice at the Sze Ju Tong
Lawyer Office, Room 305, 24 Central Road for the past 3 months.
At about 11.50a.m. 20-9-40, whilst sitting in the office, I
observed a man come and ask who is Mr. Sze ? Mr. Sze replied
"I am, what is the matter?". The stranger immediately produced
a pistol and fired 3 shots in succession against Sze. Sze
receiving bullet wounds collapsed on the floor, but the
assailant made good his escape. Someone in the office then
telephoned to the station for an ambulance and the injured man
was subsequently conveyed to the hospital.

The description of the assailant is as follows:-

Age about 26/27, height 5'8", round face, fresh complexion,
long hair brushed back, wearing navy blue foreign dress,
dialect unknown.

Signed.

C.P.C. 868 Wong Ching Pau

Central Sta.

19/9/40.

I was on traffic duty at the corner of Kiukiang and Szechuen Roads. At about 11.55a.m. 19/9/40, I went off duty and on passing Kiukiang Road near Central Road I heard shooting. I did not know where it was taking place. I was later informed by a foreigner (name unknown) that the shooting was taking place in room 305, 3rd floor of No.24 Central Road. I immediately proceeded into the building where I found a male Chinese had been shot. I reported the occurrence to the Police by telephone whilst the injured man was removed to the hospital by an ambulance. I brought Liem Tsing Yuen of that particular office to the station.

Signed.